

LIBERTY LINK

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Over the next month we will be celebrating with the community our 8th year of becoming a city with the annual Lud Kramer Memorial Symphony concert. With Lud Kramer's leadership and vision, we were able to keep our tax dollars working for us by becoming incorporated. The amenities we enjoy today are due to paying close attention to the details in planning and infrastructure for this community. Become part of that vision by giving your input to City Council members. Some of the decisions made today will affect the outcomes for generations.

As the city becomes more of a walkable community utilizing multi-modes of transportation, key emphasis will be put on street and sidewalk widths, building heights may change from 50 ft to 100 ft, signage standards, conservation issues as well as park amenities will be planned. Look at our website for more information. Remember the City Council meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month.

With our businesses growing to approximately 300 within the city limits, we are promoting the Buy Local and Reusable Bag Campaign within the community. Each bag that has been delivered contains promotional items by local businesses. So far the last two deliveries for the welcome home bags have been made to the neighborhoods of the Village,

CITY CELEBRATES 8TH ANNIVERSARY SEPT 5TH

By Ann Swenson

Deputy City Clerk

Join Mayor Wendy Van Orman, City Council members, and City staff Saturday, September 5th, at Pavillion Park as the City celebrates its 8th Anniversary. Meet your friends and neighbors at the park and enjoy some free cake before the Spokane Symphony takes the stage starting at 5:30pm. The entire event is free! The City of Liberty Lake officially incorporated August 31, 2001 and has made the celebration at the Spokane Symphony Concert an annual tradition.



Country Vista and Bitterroot Apartments, Rocky Hill, Legacy Ridge, and the River District. The rest of the City residents will receive their bags in September. Remember, buying local keeps neighbors working, keeps amenities close by, and tax dollars stay within the community.

Mayor Wendy Van Orman

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RIVER DISTRICT SPECIFIC AREA PLAN UPDATE

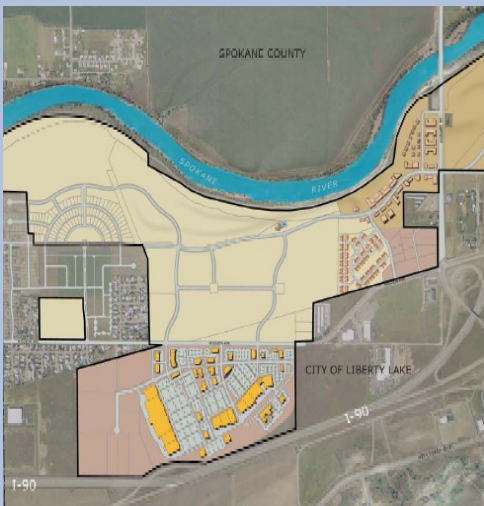
By Amanda Tainio

Planning & Building Services Manager

River District Specific Area Plan (SAP-08-0001) Overlay Update:

The Liberty Lake City Council has spent the summer reviewing the River District Specific Area Plan (SAP-08-0001) Overlay and the Planning Commission's Recommendation. A public workshop was held August 18th and a public hearing will be held during the September 1st City Council meeting at 7pm at City Hall.

It is anticipated that the review will be completed in October. If you have any questions about the River District Specific Area Plan (SAP-08-0001) Overlay, please contact Amanda Tainio, Planning & Building Services Manager at 755-6708 or by email at: atainio@libertylakewa.gov You can also visit the City website for more information at: http://www.libertylakewa.gov/development/public_notices.asp.



CONTACTING THE LIBERTY LAKE POLICE DEPARTMENT

By Brian Asmus

Chief of Police

The Liberty Lake Police Department has an officer on duty 24 hours a day 7 days a week. There has been confusion on how to contact the police department for various situations. Below is a basic guideline.

The LLPD front desk/administration number is 755-1140. You should call this number for general information about police-related matters and to make a request for obtaining police records. If the phone line is in use when you call, you can leave a message and the administrative assistant will get back to you as soon as possible. If you would like to contact a specific officer, you can contact the same number and our administrative assistant can transfer you to an officer's voice mail where you can leave a message. Each officer's schedule varies and they can be on regular days off or scheduled to work evening shifts and so may not be able to return your call until they are scheduled to work. The main number is not for the purpose of reporting emergency situations, crimes in progress, or for urgent messages that may be time sensitive. The main number is only monitored during regular business hours.

If a crime or emergency is in progress or has just occurred please dial 911. You will get an officer dispatched to the situation, and it is the best chance for the responding officer to catch the offender and to receive current information about the emergency situation. Even if the officer is on another call for service, by calling 911 the on-duty officer will be made aware of the situation through radio communication.

If a crime has happened and you need the assistance of an officer or need to file a report and it is not a crime in progress or that requires immediate police response, then you can call Crime Check at 456-2233. The on-duty officer does carry a department cell phone and the on-duty officer will answer the phone when available. Please understand that "when available" means that they are not currently on another call for service, involved in an arrest, traffic stop, or in road conditions they feel it is unsafe to talk on the cell phone. You can leave a message on the duty officer cell phone if it is not answered and the officer will return your call as soon as the officer becomes available. The on-duty officer cell phone should not be used to report an emergency or to report a crime in progress. The LLPD cell phone number is 218-4899.

For all animal control services please contact SCRAPS at 477-2532.

If you are unsure if the situation you are calling about is an emergency situation, we encourage you to dial 911. The 911 operator will make a determination on how best to route the call to assist you.

The LLPD has experienced several situations that are considered emergency circumstances and/or crimes in progress and citizens are reporting those on the department cell phone. On occasion, the LLPD cell phone message may not be checked for several hours when the officer is tied up on an arrest. We highly encourage you to report those types of situations to 911. Please help us to serve our community better by following the listed guidelines for contacting your police department.

SEPTEMBER STORY TIMES LIBRARY UPDATES

By Amy Dickeson
Children's Librarian

Stories and Crafts

3 years and up

Fridays @ 1:00pm
Saturdays @ 10:30am

Sept 19, 20 Apples

Sept 26, 27 Music

Mondays
10:30am

Read, Play, Discover!
All Ages
Cancelled Sept 7th and Sept 21st



Tuesdays
10:30am
Toddler/Preschool
Story Time
18+ months

Wednesdays
4:00pm

Read, Play, Discover!
All Ages
Cancelled Sept 16th



Fridays
10:15am Baby Laptime
Ages 9 months - 24 months

11:00am Toddler/Preschool Stories & Songs
18 months and up



Saturdays
10:30am
Read, Play, Discover!
All Ages

By Tracy Rebstock
Librarian

September will be a busy month with back to school schedules and all that comes with it. The Library would like to give you some tools to make the transition back to school a little easier. We offer several FREE services for students and parents. If you haven't had a chance to come in and check out our resources, this would be a great time to do it! Also, September starts our new Story Time schedule. We are adding in some new story times and we hope

you get a chance to come in and check them out. We are featuring our Read, Play, Discover story time that is designed for all ages. We will do this story time Mondays at 10:30, Wednesdays at 4pm and Saturdays at 11am (10:30 in Sept). The Wednesday afternoon story times will have things especially for school-aged children.

The last week of September is Banned Books Week. Please take this opportunity to celebrate our freedom to read. If you are curious about books that have been challenged, come in and look at a list. You may be surprised at some of the titles you will find!

Attention Adults! The Library is interested in setting up a Book Club! There will be a sign up sheet for all who are interested at the Circulation Desk. Once we get enough interest, we will pick a book and a date! Visit our website for more information.

Come see the new Library!

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BACK TO SCHOOL

By Pamela Mogen
Library Director

As Back-to-School approaches don't forget about all the resources and help available from the Library! In fact, there's help for learners of any age and any level, much of it on our website and useable in your own home. Be sure to visit:

www.youseemore.com/libertylake.

Tutor.com/Homework

Help is available from 3pm to 10pm through our website. Tutor.com connects learners of any age through a live link to a subject-specific tutor. Adult learners can use Tutor.com tutors as well.

World Book Online is the entire encyclopedia online. Use it like a print encyclopedia but also explore it by image and video. Built in helps for choosing topics, and outlining and writing reports give students a head start in getting projects finished on time.

Cobblestone Publishing is the online subject guide to articles in all their magazines for children on U.S. history, science, world cultures, world history, and literature.

Credo Reference is the online portal to 100 reference books on any subject including maps, images, videos, and audio clips. Credo has many incredible features and helps.

ProQuest is your path to magazine and newspaper articles, many available on the website itself. If you find articles you need that aren't there, just request them; and the librarians will get them from another library.

Call, drop in, or make an appointment for us to help you find the information or gain the skills you need to be successful!

Q & A

HOW TO SUBMIT A QUESTION?

One of my goals as Mayor of Liberty Lake is to be as open as I can and give answers to some questions you may have. Hence, this special Question and Answer section in our newsletter gives you the chance to get those questions answered directly by me. Please send questions you may have to: wvanorman@libertylakewa.gov. I will try to answer most of your questions in upcoming newsletters. Until then, I look forward to meeting you.

MAYOR VAN ORMAN



To read more Questions & Answers visit our Q & A Web Page:
www.libertylakewa.gov/questions

Question to the Mayor:

"In remembrance of Lud Kramer and others that have made significant contributions to the community, are there any plans to complete the Founder's Corner slated for the corner of Country Vista Drive and Liberty Lake Road?"

Answer from the Mayor:

"It has been my desire to construct a waterfall and Founders' wall at that corner of Trailhead Golf Course. During the upcoming budget process, it will be presented to the City Council for inclusion in our Capital Facilities plan with possible construction in 2010. The economy will play a significant role in any new addition to the community, but with everyone's contribution we could add a community flower garden with the dividing up of our own spring, and fall flower bulbs to add to it year after year for a beautiful entrance of color."

Question to the Mayor:

"Is there going to be a new business occupying the former Stilos building on the corner of Mission Ave & Meadowood Lane?"

Answer from the Mayor:

"New owners have purchased the building and are prepping to open Barlows, a family-oriented restaurant with home-cooked type meals."

Question to the Mayor:

"The area of Pavillion Park along Molter had at one time suggested to become a dog park. Do you have any plans to make that happen?"

Answer from the Mayor:

"There have been suggestions made for possible amenities to be built in that area. It will ultimately be up to the community as to what eventually gets developed. I would love to hear your ideas and thoughts. Here are a few ideas that have come across my desk..."

- Dog Park
- A rose garden
- Miniature Golf
- Obstacle Course for runners
- ? (Your ideas?)

Question to the Mayor:

"With our recent National Crime Prevention night, inquiries have been made regarding the best way to contact our City Police Department?"

Answer from the Mayor:

"For information on this question, please refer to page 2 of this newsletter. I have left part of my question and answers to our Police Chief Brian Asmus."

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO ANSWER IN A FUTURE NEWSLETTER, PLEASE SUBMIT THEM TO ME:
wvanorman@libertylakewa.gov

RECREATION PROGRAMS

TRAILHEAD GOLF COURSE UPDATE

By Mollie Thola

LPGA Head Professional

Happy Fall! Trailhead is as busy as ever, the sun is out and warm weather is perfect golf weather! Well, any weather is golf weather!

Junior Golf is growing more and more. We have had lots of little "Tigers" and "Lorena's" who are learning not only the golf swing, but how to play as well. Fun has been the emphasis and I think we've achieved our goal at each and every camp. Also, don't forget every Sunday is FAMILY DAY. \$6.00 per person per 9 Holes.

Adult Group Lessons are going great. Lots of folks have enrolled. Some have been playing awhile, some have been playing a long time and just need a little help here and there, and others are brand new to the game. Numbers are growing every time and people are playing more and more after they finish the lessons.

The course is in amazing condition, thanks to Ron Knudsen, our Superintendent, and our grounds crew. They have been mowing daily just to keep up with the sunshine and warm nights. They have done a fantastic job keeping our course green throughout this summer.

Come out and play this fall, have fun with your friends and family.



Sign Up & Pay Online!!

<http://www.libertylakewa.gov/recreation>



Chiefs Hockey Tickets

Enjoy some great hard-hitting hockey action with the Spokane Chiefs! Purchase tickets at a special discounted group rate of only \$9 per person. 3 different games to choose from! Visit our website for more information.



Pet Day in the Park

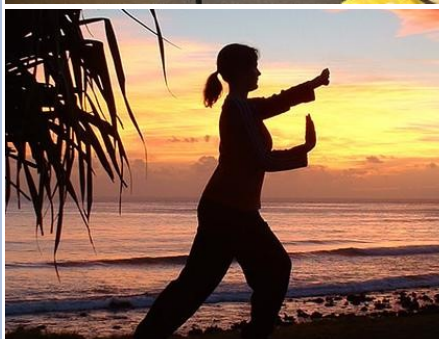
CHANGED TO SAT OCT 3rd!

9:00am—2:00pm at Pavillion Park
Activities planned include a costume contest, doggie walk, owner/pet look-a-like contest, special pet performances, pet vendors, and more. All activities are free!



STCU Financial Seminar

Restoring Your Credit Score—Thurs, 9/24
Come to this session to learn about credit scores, the truth about what affects them, and what you can do to maintain the credit score you desire. Includes free dinner!
6:00pm—7:30pm Cost: FREE!
RSVP soon online to reserve your spot.



Tai Chi

Tai Chi is a slow, gentle exercise that can be performed by any age or fitness level.

10-week class runs every Monday starting Oct 5th (6:00pm—7:00pm)
\$75 per person (includes all 10 classes!)
Classes are at Trailhead Golf Course

WSU Football Tickets

WSU vs UCLA

Come on down to Pullman to watch the Washington State Cougars Football team as they take on the UCLA Bruins. Great sideline seats at the special low group price of only \$32 per person. Order tickets from our website soon!



GET INVOLVED WITH THE CITY OF LIBERTY LAKE

Monday, August 31st

- City of Liberty Lake's 8th Anniversary
- Incorporation Date
Aug 31, 2001



Tuesday, September 1st

- City Council Meeting/Public hearing, 7pm, City Hall

Wednesday, September 2nd

- Kiwanis, 6:45am, City Hall
- Senior Lunch, 11am—1pm, City Hall
- SCOPE Meeting, 6:30pm, City Hall

Thursday, September 3rd

- Rotary Club Meeting
12pm, Denny Ashlock Building

Saturday, September 5th

- Lud Cramer Concert w/ the Spokane Symphony & Anniversary Celebration

Monday, September 7th

- *Labor Day (City Hall Closed)*



Wednesday, September 9th

- Kiwanis, 6:45am, City Hall
- Senior Lunch, 11am—2pm, City Hall
- Planning Commission Meeting
4pm, City Hall

Thursday, September 10th

- Rotary Club Meeting
12pm, Denny Ashlock Building

Monday, September 14th

- Central Valley School Board Meeting
6:30pm, 19307 E. Cataldo Ave.

Tuesday, September 15th

- City Council Meeting, 7pm, City Hall

Wednesday, September 16th

- Kiwanis, 6:45am, City Hall
- Senior Lunch, 11am—1pm, City Hall
- Sewer / Water Board Meeting, 7pm, Denny Ashlock Building
- Meadowwood Homeowner's Association Meeting, 7pm, City Hall

Thursday, September 17th

- Rotary Club Meeting
12pm, Denny Ashlock Building

Wednesday, September 23rd

- Kiwanis, 6:45am, City Hall
- Senior Lunch, 11am—1pm, City Hall

Thursday, September 24th

- Rotary Club Meeting
12pm, Denny Ashlock Building

Monday, September 28th

- Central Valley School Board Meeting
6:30pm, 19307 E. Cataldo Ave.

Wednesday, September 30th

- Kiwanis, 6:45am, City Hall
- Senior Lunch, 11am—1pm, City Hall

Farmers Market: Saturdays 9am to 1pm,
1421 N. Meadowwood Ln



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